

2008 Workshops Complete Listing by Subject

Basketry

-see also, Native American arts and crafts

Two Pie Basket

Saturday, February 9

Cost: \$30.00

Instructor: Carol Marquardt

9am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Learn to make this large, versatile basket, used in olden times to carry pies.

Egg Basket

Saturday, April 12

Cost: \$25

Instructor: Carol Marquardt

9am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Learn to weave this traditional Appalachian basket, delicately engineered to carry eggs without breaking them.

Get Creative Christmas “Jar”

Saturday, November 1

Cost: \$25

Instructor: Carol Marquardt

9am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Build a large wooden-bottomed basket from a variety of available shapes and colors.

Blacksmithing

18th Century Blacksmithing

Saturday, June 14

Saturday, November 15

Cost: \$85 (includes supplies)

Instructor: Mark Ramsey

10am – 4pm

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Limit: 6

For beginners or the more experienced—let us know your level when you sign up!

Chair Bottoming

Beginning Chair Bottoming

Saturday, March 29

Cost: \$30

Instructor: Kathy Broyles

9am – 4pm

Limit: 10

A great way to repair an old favorite or brush up an antique! Learn how to weave the life back into your old cane furniture.

Cooking

Dutch Oven Cooking

Saturday, October 4

\$50

Instructors: Nat and Sherri Hyder

9am – 4pm

Limit: 12

Prepare fish, chicken, vegetables, greens, cornbread, drinks, apple betty in a pumpkin, cooling cinnamon water, and coffee over an open fire, 18th century style. Please wear closed toe shoes, pants or long skirt, and socks. Bring your favorite cutting knife and apron.

Egg Dyeing

Ukrainian Egg Dyeing

Saturday and Sunday, March 1 and 2

Cost: \$30

This two-day class offers decorative techniques of egg design, just in time for Easter! Bring white blown eggs.

Instructor: Sharon Karr

Saturday 10am – 4pm; Sunday 2pm – 4pm

Limit: 10

Felting

Beginning Wet Felting

Saturday, May 31

Cost: \$30 (includes supplies)

Turn wool fleece into a colorful and useful item using only soap, water, and your hands. Learn to make a flat item such as a placemat, rug, or drawstring purse

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

11am – 3pm

Limit: 12

Intermediate Wet Felting

Sunday, June 1

Cost: \$25.00 (includes supplies)

Advance your felting skills by making a 3D item such as a purse or hat.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

1 – 4 pm

Limit: 12

Beginning Needle Felting

Saturday, December 13

Cost: \$25 (includes supplies)

A fun way to felt without all the water! Make ornaments or other flat items.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

9am – noon

Limit: 12

Intermediate Needle Felting

Saturday, December 13

Cost: \$25 (includes supplies)

Enhance your skills learned earlier this day with a 3-D project and more advanced techniques. Make a Santa or doll head.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

1 – 4pm

Limit: 12

Fibers (Miscellaneous)

Fibers Mini-Workshops: Felt Balls, Felting Over Soap, Lucet, Knitty Knobby

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Saturday and Sunday, August 8 & 9 (at the Carter Mansion Celebration)

10am – 4pm

Cost: \$5 most classes, \$6 for soap class

This series of short, 30-minute workshops will be offered as you drop by throughout the weekend on topics such as felting and knitty knobby. Call the park for more details.

Hunting and Trapping

-note: the following hunting workshops do not take the place of a hunter safety course. They are purely for historical interest.

Long Hunter Treks

Saturday, September 20

Cost: \$20

Instructor: Steve Ricker

10am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Before colonial settlement crept across the mountains, this land was the domain of the long hunters. Learn how to assemble and optimize your gear for a long hunter trek, 18th century style. A great resource for teachers and students as well as those interested in re-enacting.

Primitive Trapping and Fishing

Saturday, October 11

Cost: \$35

Instructor: Steve Ricker

10am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Learn the old ways of the Cherokees for hunting, trapping, and fishing—using ordinary materials to survive in the wild.

Juggling

Juggling for Absolute Beginners

Saturday, February 16

Cost: \$25.00

Instructor: Scott Koenig

1 – 3 pm

Limit: 16

Learn basic three ball juggling technique and several tricks. You will leave with three professional quality juggling bags and the ability to use them.

Knitting

Sweater Knitting

nd 2 Mondays

January 14

February 11

March 10

April 14

May 12

June 9

July 14

August 11

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

9 am – 1 pm

September 8
October 13
November 10
December 8

Cost: \$25.00 per class or \$80.00 for four (plus supplies) Join any time
Learn to follow a published pattern of your choice and produce an attractive garment in the process. Learn tips and tricks to make your knitting easier and better. Basic knitting skills required. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

Beginning Knitting

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Saturday, January 26

11 am – 3 pm

Saturday, February 16

12 – 4 pm

Saturday, May 10

11am - 3pm

Saturday, August 16

11am - 3pm

Cost: \$25.00 plus supplies

Limit: 14

Learn how to cast on, knit, purl, and cast off. Leave class with your first project started and the skills to complete it. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

Knit Socks

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Sunday, January 27

1 – 4pm

Sunday, April 27

1 – 4pm

Cost: \$25.00 plus supplies

Limit: 12

Learn to knit creative and beautiful socks on double pointed needles. Basic knitting skills required. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

Hats in the Round

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Sunday, February 17

1 – 4pm

Sunday, August 17

1 – 4pm

Cost: \$20.00 (supplies not included)

Limit: 14

Learn to follow a pattern as you knit a hat using circular and double pointed needles. Basic knitting skills required. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

Knitting Mittens

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Sunday, May 11

1 – 4pm

Cost: \$20 (supplies not included)

Limit: 14

Learn to follow a pattern, increase, and decrease as you knit mittens on double pointed needles. Basic knitting skills required. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

18th Century Knitting

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Sunday, July 6

1 – 4pm

Sunday, September 21

1 – 4pm

Cost: \$25

Limit: 14

Learn about knitting in the 18th century and try some typical patterns. Basic knitting skills required. The cost of the class includes yarn. Bring US #6 or #7 needles.

Quick Knit Holiday Gifts

Sunday, December 14

Cost: \$20 (supplies not included)

Get patterns and ideas as you knit some quick projects for gift giving. Materials are available from the instructor for \$8 to \$12.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

1 – 4pm

Limit: 10

Music and Dance

-see also, Native American arts and crafts**Flat Foot Dancing**

Saturday, February 16

Cost \$5.00

Learn this old time traditional dance style. No taps please.

Instructor: Scott Koenig

10 – 11 am

Limit: 20

Mandolin for Beginners

Saturday, March 1

Cost: \$20

Learn the basics of this popular and historic instrument. Instruments are provided, or you may bring your own!

Instructor: Vicki Shell

1 – 4pm

Limit: special

Beginning and Intermediate Pennywhistle

Saturday, July 19

Saturday, September 20

Cost: \$25 (includes whistle); \$15 (if you have your own)

Learn the fundamentals of holding and sounding your whistle, learn your first notes and play your first song, or advance the skills you already possess (instructional material provided).

Instructor: Martha Egan

1 – 3pm

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Beginning Appalachian Dulcimer

Saturday, November 8,

Cost: \$20.00

Instruments are provided for this class. You will learn traditional techniques & songs.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

9 am – 12 pm

Limit: 15

Beginning Autoharp

Saturday, November 8,

Cost: \$20.00

Learn techniques & styles of playing: instruments are provided

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

1 – 4 pm

Limit: 15

Intermediate Dulcimer and Autoharp

Sunday, November 9

Cost: \$20.00

Learn lots of new songs and techniques to improve your skills while playing with a group.

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

1-4pm

Limit 15

Native American Arts and Crafts

Cherokee Stone Pipe

Saturday, February 23

Cost: \$45 (includes supplies)

Cherokee pipes were functional works of art, and held important meaning in Cherokee life. Learn to carve a traditional Cherokee pipe with native steatite.

Instructor: Steve Ricker

10am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Eastern Woodland Moccasins

Saturday, March 29

Cost: \$65 (includes supplies)

Make a well-fitted set of center-seam Cherokee leather moccasins using traditional techniques.

Instructor: Steve Ricker

10am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Cherokee Honeysuckle Basket

Saturday, March 8

Cost: \$25 (includes supplies)

Make a traditional Cherokee basket using honeysuckle, naturally dyed with bloodroot, walnut, and pokeberry. Learn how to cook the vine, roll, bleach, dye, and make splints.

Instructors: Vicki Standingdeer and Dale Cloer

1pm – 4pm

Making a Native American Flute **Instructors: Daniel Bigay and Kay Littlejohn**

Saturday, April 5

Cost: \$100 (includes supplies)

The art of making a traditionally tunes Cherokee-style flute using native river cane (wear old clothes).

10am – 4pm

Limit: 10

Playing a Native American Flute **Instructors: Daniel Bigay and Kay Littlejohn**

Sunday, April 6

Cost: \$30 (if in Saturday class, \$45 if not)

Learn the techniques of creating beautiful melodies with the native river cane flute.

1 – 4pm

Limit: 12

Beadwork of the Woodland Indians

Saturday, June 14

Cost: \$25 (includes supplies)

Learn the techniques of appliqué and edge beadwork.

Instructor: Kevin Grindstaff

1 – 4pm

Limit: 10

Dyeing Honeysuckle

Saturday, October 11

Cost: TBA

Color your basketry materials the Cherokee way—all natural materials, with no artificial dyes or colors. Then take them home to further your own arts and crafts projects.

Instructors: Vicki Standingdeer and Dale Cloer

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Native American Cornhusk Dolls

Saturday, October 18

Cost: \$25

Instructor: Terri Asbury

10am – 3pm

Limit: 15

Celebrate the simple joys of fall with this popular Native American craft. Bring a large bowl and a pair of scissors.

Native American Beadwork on a Loom Instructor: Amanda Asbury

Saturday, November 8

10am – 3pm

Cost: \$45 (includes a loom that you keep) Limit: 10

Use a loom to create intricate woven patterns of beads.

Natural Dyeing

-see also, Native American Arts and Crafts

Natural Dyeing

Instructor: Carolyn DeWitt

Saturday, September 20

10am – 2pm

Cost: \$25

Limit: 10

Make beautiful color with all the bounty of nature! Learn to dye thread as did the settlers of the 18th century, and create stunning colors with all the herbs and flowers of the field.

Painting

Step-By-Step Oil Painting

Instructor: Kay Braswell

Friday, January 11

9am – 4pm

Friday, April 25

Saturday, May 24

Saturday, June 21

Saturday, July 12

Saturday, August 30

Friday, September 19

Saturday, October 25

Saturday, November 22

Saturday, December 6

Cost: \$50 (includes supplies)

Limit: 12

Use wet-on-wet techniques to learn oil on canvas from a certified Bob Ross instructor.

Watercolor Painting - Landscapes

Instructor: Barbara Jernigan

Saturday, January 12; Friday and Saturday, January 25 & 26; Saturday, February 9;

Saturday, February 23; Saturday, March 8; Friday and Saturday, Mar 28 & 29 (2-day

class); Saturday, April 5

10am – 1pm each day

Cost: One day classes: \$12 (plus supplies) or \$20 (includes supplies)

Two day classes: \$20 (plus supplies) or \$35 (includes supplies)

Learn and practice watercolor techniques and styles. Dress to take a short walk outdoors for photos and observations, weather permitting.

Historical Pigments and Paints

Instructor: Stephanie Smith

Saturday, April 19

10am - 12pm

Saturday, June 14

10am - 12pm

Cost: \$5

Limit: 10

An overview of the powdered pigments and bonding materials used from medieval times through the 18th century. Learn to prepare traditional watercolors and egg tempura paints.

Primitive Technology

Flint Knapping: Making Stone Tools

Instructors: Bob Estep, Chris Edens, Clark Sams

Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4

10am – 4pm

Cost: \$60 (includes supplies)

Limit: 12

Make stone tools such as the arrow point using only traditional techniques (Adults only).

Primitive Pottery I: Handbuilding With Clay

Instructors: Bob Estep, Chris Edens, Clark Sams

Saturday, July 26

10am – 4pm

Cost: \$40 (includes supplies)

Limit: 12

This two part class begins with learning primitive techniques to create functional pottery. These pieces will be pit-fired in Part II of the class on August 9.

Primitive Pottery II: Pit-Firing Techniques

Instructors: Bob Estep, Chris Edens, Clark Sams

Saturday, August 9 (at the Carter Mansion Celebration)

10am – 4pm

Cost: \$15 (free if you attended the July 26 class)

Fire your pottery in an earthen pit with naturally burning materials

Primitive Atlatl and Spear

Instructors: Bob Estep, Chris Edens, Clark Sams

Saturday and Sunday, September 13 and 14

10am – 4pm

Cost: \$60 (includes supplies)

Limit: 12

Make a spear and spear thrower, a hunting tool used by primitive cultures worldwide. Bring a knife suitable for woodcarving and wood carving tools, if available (Adults only).

Quilting

The Sycamore Stitchers meet throughout the year at the park. Call Pat Dobes at (423) 542-9400 for information on joining the organization.

Rug Making

Rag Rugs

Saturday, January 19

Cost: \$25.00

Take something old and make something beautiful! Make a rug, table runner, or placemat out of the fabric of your choice.

Instructor: Terri Asbury

10am – 3pm

Limit: 15

Scrap Booking

Interested in gathering with friends to put your special memories to paper? Johnnie Wilson meets with folks interested in scrap booking throughout the year. Call her at (423) 542-4703 for dates and times.

Soap Making

Cold Processed Soap and a Colonial Tea

Saturday, January 12

Cost: \$30

Learn the history of soap making while making a batch of cold processed soap. Use all-vegetable ingredients; add essential oils, dried herbs, and more. Practice stenciling and other decorative techniques to embellish your gift-giving. We will end class with tea and scones, 18th century style.

Instructor: Sherri Hyder

10am – 3pm

Limit: 15

Lye Soap Making and an Afternoon Tea

Saturday, May 3

Cost: \$35

Learn to make soap as it was made in the 18th century—in a cast iron kettle over an open fire. Add essential oils, herbs, and more to the soap that you take home. Bring a lunch, wear closed toed shoes and long pants or a long skirt.

Instructors: Nat and Sherri Hyder

10am – 4pm

Limit: 15

Soap Molding and Carving Contest

Saturday, May 3

Cost: none

Participate in the first Sycamore Shoals soap molding and carving contest! Bring your own bar of soap or get one with your registration. The carvings will be on display in the park Visitors Center for one week to allow the public to vote on the winners. Winners will be announced Saturday, May 17 at 12:00 noon.

Instructor: Sherri Hyder

2 – 3:30pm

Limit: none

Spinning

Spinning Fiber – First Steps

Saturday, April 26

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

9am - 1pm

Cost: \$30.00 includes supplies Limit: 8
Learn to work with wool fiber to spin it into yarn on a spinning wheel

Spinning Fiber – Intermediate

Instructor: Melanie Koenig

Saturday, April 26

1:30-4:30pm

Cost: \$30.00 includes supplies

Limit: 8

Work with all sorts of exotic fibers including curly mohair, llama, angora, linen, and others.

Spinning on a Bottom Whorl Drop Spindle

Instructor: John Plutchak

Saturday, August 9 (at Carter Mansion)

10:30am – 1:30pm

Cost: \$20 (spindle provided)

Limit: 12

Learn how to spin fiber into thread using the Bottom Whorl method, used by our ancestors in this region over two hundred years ago.

Tea

-see also, Soap Making

Valentine's Day Tea

Instructor: Sherri Hyder

Saturday, February 2

10am – 2pm

Cost: \$15.00

Limit: 15

Explore the history of Valentine's Day and tea in the 18th century, make potato block print cards, and learn how to give a tea party for any occasion.

Please Pass the Tea and Manners, Too!

Instructor: Sherri Hyder

Wednesday, June 18

1 – 3pm

Cost: \$20

Limit: 15

Learn the history of "teatime" from the time of the American Revolution, and learn how to present a tea to teach manners in a fun environment. Perfect for teachers, girl scout leaders, or anyone interested in teaching manners and/or presenting a tea to young people of all ages.

Weaving

Card Weaving

Instructor: Kevin Grindstaff

Saturday, April 19

1 – 4pm

Cost: \$15

Limit: 10

Weave a detailed, versatile pattern with a few inexpensive supplies. A great introduction to the basics of weaving.

Finger Weaving with Embroidery Thread

Instructor: Jan Turner

Saturday, February 2

Saturday, February 16

10am – 12pm

Cost: \$15.00

Limit: 5

Learn to finger weave with DMC (embroidery) thread using 1 color first, then 2 or 3 colors. You will make a bracelet and/or bookmark. Bring a pillow with large safety pins or a clipboard, and 2 or 3 different colors of thread.

Finger Weaving with Yarn

Instructor: Jan Turner

Saturday, February 9

Saturday, February 23

10am – 12pm

Cost: \$15

Limit: 5

Learn to finger weave with yarn using 2 or 3 colors. You will make a belt or a hatband. Bring a pillow with large safety pins or a clipboard, and 2 or 3 different colors of yarn.

Woodworking

Carving a Dough Bowl

Instructor: Mark Ramsey

Saturday, May 10

10am – 3pm

Saturday, August 9 (at the Carter Mansion)

10am – 3pm

Cost: \$75 (includes supplies)

Limit: 6

Learn the woodworking techniques used to carve a traditional Appalachian bowl.
